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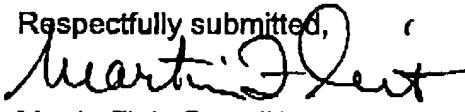
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 16, 2005, please note that Applicant elects to restrict the prosecution of the above-identified application to the invention designated as Group I, Claims 1-13 drawn to the method.

The requirement is traversed on the ground that the inventions are interrelated on the basis outlined in the Action, and there would not be any hardship in examining the method claims and the system claims together. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the requirement be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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